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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated [date_allowed], submitted herewith are three (03) sheets of Formal Drawings in connection with the above referenced application.

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